Progress of work on Ramagundam Salem Trichur 400 KV line

*71. SHRI T. R. BALU:
SHRI V. GOPALSAMY:

Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of funds so far allotted for Ramagundam-Salem-Trichur 400 KV line;

(b) how much out of it has so far been spent;

(c) how much progress has been made till 31st July, 1988 and by when Bangalore-Salem line will be commissioned;

(d) how far the work on Salem-Trichur line has progressed; and

(e) by when this line will become operational?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI KALPNATH RAI): (a) An amount of Rs. 162 crores has so far been allocated for the construction of 400 KV Ramagundam—Salem—Trichur transmission lines.

(b) Rs. 145 crores.

(c) The Ramagundam—Bangalore sections of the line have already been commissioned Work on the Salem—Trichur section is in progress. The Bangalore—Salem line, completed in May, 1988, is expected to be commissioned by August, 1988

(d) Contract for the construction of the Salem—Trichur line has been awarded. Detailed survey of the line and designing and testing of towers have been completed.

(e) Salem—Trichur transmission line is expected to be commissioned during 1990-91.

Crude Oil production in Krishna Godavari Basin

*72. SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether ONGC plans to raise crude production in the GS-16 offshore structure in the Krishna-Godavari basin; and

(b) if so, what are the deils thereof and the quantum of the present and future production of crude oil and gas that ONGC plans to tap from the on-land wells in the Krishna Godavari basin?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) and (b) ONGC have plans to put GS-16 offshore structure on an Early Production System and produce crude oil at the rate of 0.5 million tonnes per annum and gas at the rate of 0.3 million cubic metres per day. On land, oil has been encountered in only one structure, *i.e.* Kaikalur. This has been put on an Early Production System and is yielding 6.0 tonnes per day. Gas has been encountered in several structures. The present production of gas is about 50,000 cubic metres per day. By the end of the current year it is expected that production potential of about 8.8 lakh cubic metres will be established.

अनुसूचित जातियों/अनुसूचित जनजातियों के लोगों को पेट्रोल पम्पों का आबंटन

*73. **श्री अजीत जोगी** : क्या पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) पिछले दो वर्षों के दौरान मध्य प्रदेश में कुल कितने पेट्रोल पम्प/डीजल पम्प तथा गैस एजेंसियां आदिवासी तथा हरिजन वर्ग के लोगो को आबंटित की गई ;

(ख) क्या यह निर्धारित प्रतिशत के अनुरूप हैं; और

(ग) इन वर्गों के लोगों को इन धंधों में स्थापित करने के लिये शासन द्वारा क्या प्रोत्साहन तथा रियायतें दी जा रही हैं ?

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री ब्रह्म दत्त) : (क) और (ख) मध्य प्रदेश में अलाट करने के लिये निश्चित किये गये पैट्रोल पम्पों/डीजल पम्पों तथा गैस एजेंसियों की संख्या इस प्रकार है :—

1986–87	खुदरा बिक्री केन्द्र	एल पी जी एजेंसियां
कुल	46	9
अ०जा०।अ०ज०जा०	14	2
%	30.5%	22.22%
1987–88		
कुल	20	11
अ०ज०/अ०ज०जा०	4	3
%	20%	27.27%

नीति संबंधी मार्ग निर्देशों में अनुसूचित जाति/अनुसूचित जनजाति के लिये सभी डीलरशीपों/वितरणशिपों में 25% आरक्षण की व्यवस्था है तथा अधिकतर मामलों में इस आरक्षण को बनाये रखा जा रहा है।

(ग) अनुसूचित जातियों/जनजाति के उम्मीदवारों को मिलने वाली रियायतों में ये शामिल हैं (i) डीलरशिपों के लिये कम आवेदन शुल्क लेना (ii) एल पी०जी वितरणशिप के लिये कोई सिक्योरिटी की राशि नहीं और (iii) कुल आवश्यकता का 75% तक कार्यशील पूंजी और आवधिक ऋण दोनों के लिये रियायती दरों पर सभी सार्वजनिक क्षेत्र के बैंक वित्तीय सहायता देते है।

Leasing of machinery scheme of NSIDC

*74. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that under the new 20-Point Economic Programme, the National Small Industries Development Corporation has extended its 'Leasing of machinery scheme' to the new small scale units having valid provisional registrations from Directorate of Industries/District Industries Centres so as to generate more employment and end poverty speedily;

(b) whether it is also a fact that NSIDC are still insisting on co-lateral security or third party guarantee inspite of Government's directive not to do so upto a specific amount limit; and

(c) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) to (c) National Small Industrial Corporation (NSIC) operates in the area of machinery supply two schemes viz. Hire Purchase Scheme and Equipment Leasing Scheme. The Hire Purchase Scheme introducted in 56 is available to existing small scale units as well as new entrepreneurs. The Equipment Leasing Scheme, introduced in January, 1987, is however; applicable only to existing technically and financially viable registered small scale units for modernisation/expansion and not for new units.

As per the directive issued by the Reserve Bank of India, no collateral security is to be called for if the cost of the equipment is less than Rs. 25,000. Since the NSIC's scheme for Equipment Leasing envisages a minimum value of Rs. 1 lakh for the equipment, collateral security will not be exempt even in therms of RBTs directive. Third Party personal guarantee to cover one year's rentals or adequate collateral security is insisted upon.

Oil/gas production

*75. SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) how many new oil/gas producing wells have been brought into operation during the last three years;

(b) what has been the quantity of crude/gas added by operating these new wells;